PSUs identified for sale

*11. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have identified five strategic public sector undertakings for sale; and

(b) if so, the details of the assets value, liabilities etc. of these undertakings?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Bungalows identified for demolition and new construction

*12. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENTAND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are large number of old bungalows in metropolitan cities which despite spending huge amount on their maintenance are still in a dilapidated condition;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to demolish them and construct new bungalows in their places; and

(c) the number of such bungalows identified by Government upto 31st October, 2001, for demolition and construction of new ones in their place?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) while there are large numbers of old bungalows in various cities, these are not in a dilapidated condition except for 2 bungalows at Indore and one at New Delhi. All the others are maintained in a satisfactory and habitable condition although expenditure on them is comparatively more as they are old and were built with the specifications prevalent at the time of construction.